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In re Application of: )  
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Application No.: Continuation of Application )  
No. 09/534,445 :  
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For: FLAT-PANEL DISPLAY )  
APPARATUS AND ITS CONTROL :  
METHOD )

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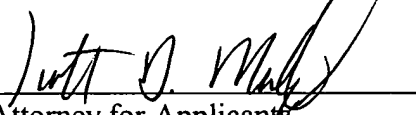
In support of Applicants' claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119, a certified copy of the following foreign application was previously filed in parent Application No.

09/534,445:

11-080462, filed March 24, 1999.

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